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**Electronic Control Weapons (ECW) Use Reporting Form**

**Calendar Year 2016**

Agency Name:

Name of Chief, Commissioner, or Agency Head:

Name of Individual Completing Report:

Contact Telephone:

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Contact Email:

Date Submitted: *mm/dd/yyyy*

Semi-Annual Reporting Period	Time Period	Report Due Date
1st	January 1, 2016 – June 30, 2016	July 31, 2016
2nd	July 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016	January 31, 2017

**Important!**

- **Collection of these data is authorized and required under MGL ch.170 sec. 2 of the Acts of 2004**
- EOPSS is mandated to publish these data annually. Annual reports are posted on the EOPSS website.
- Only provide information that reflects use of ECWs *during this semi-annual reporting period only.*
- Submit the completed report to [ecw@MassMail.State.MA.US](mailto:ecw@MassMail.State.MA.US) or fax it to Timothy Edson at 617.725.0260
- Contact Timothy Edson by phone (617.725.3352) or via email ([ecw@MassMail.State.MA.US](mailto:ecw@MassMail.State.MA.US)) with any questions or concerns.

## PART I. AGENCY INFORMATION

1. How many sworn officers were in your department at the end of this reporting period?

*Include all part-time, full-time, reserve and other officers employed by your department.*

2. How many sworn officers have completed the approved training program for ECWs to date?

*Include all part-time, full-time, reserve and other officers employed by your department.*

3. How many ECWs does your department own?

4. How many sworn officers who have completed the approved training program for ECWs carried ECWs during this reporting period?

*Include all part-time, full-time, reserve and other officers employed by your department.*

5. How many ECW involved *incidents* occurred during this reporting period?

- See next page for definition of an *ECW incident*.
- **If no incidents occurred, report a value of zero (0) leave remaining questions blank.**  
**Submit entire form.**



## PART II. INCIDENT LEVEL INFORMATION

### DEFINITIONS FOR SECTION II

#### ***ECW Incident***

- An event in which an officer (or a group of officers) issued a warning and/or deployed an ECW on a single subject.

#### ***ECW Contact***

- Each individual officer's deployment, warning, or display of an ECW towards a single subject.

*Example:* Four officers respond to one call and only one officer issues a warning and a second officer deploys a weapon on a single subject. This would be one incident and two contacts (e.g., 1 and 1b).

#### ***ECW Warning Types***

- **Verbal/visual warning** – any spoken words or display of the ECW that would indicate to a subject that an ECW may be used. This warning can include:

1) Any direct wording to a subject indicating or implying that an ECW will be used:

*Example:* Holding ECW up and shouting, “Stop!”

2) Any indirect wording that a subject may overhear indicating or implying that an ECW is about to be deployed.

*Example:* A warning to other officers that an ECW is about to be deployed:

“Taser, Taser, Taser”

- **Laser warning** - laser function of the ECW is utilized as a warning.
- **Spark warning** - spark function of the ECW is utilized as a warning.

#### ***ECW Deployment Types***

- **Probe Deployment** – the probe function of the ECW is utilized (includes follow-up drive stuns when a single probe is still attached).
- **Stun Deployment** – the drive stun function of the ECW is utilized.



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